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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This constitutes an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. The attached document listed on the accompanying "IDS List of References" (a substitute for Form PTO/SB/08) is hereby brought to the Examiner's attention in the patent application identified above.

REMARKS

The presently submitted Korean patent document—Cite No. F1 on the IDS List of References—was cited, as one of two primary references, in a communication dated March 28, 2006 from the Korean Patent Office in a counterpart Korean application.

Of the two references cited in the KPO communication, Japanese Unexamined Pat. App. Pub. No. H14-134484 has already been submitted in the instant case, in an IDS dated June 25, 2004, and because it is thus cumulative to material already made of record, the reference is not being submitted here.

Concise Explanation of Relevance/Copy of Translation
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)

As a concise explanation of the relevance of the presently submitted Korean-language reference, Cite No. F1, an English translation of the Korean Patent Office communication in its entirety is submitted herewith. (A copy of the Korean Patent Office communication—in Japanese—in its entirety follows the English translation.)

Furthermore, an English abstract of Cite No. F1 is available and is attached to the front of the reference.

FEE AS STIPULATED IN 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)

A non-final rejection was issued in the present application on September 8, 2006. As the mailing date of the Korean Patent Office communication is March 28, 2006, an attestation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) cannot be made. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the fee set forth in § 1.17(p) is being submitted in an authorization, accompanying the EFS Web submission of this paper, to charge to a credit card the \$180 due.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider this reference, and to indicate so on the accompanying IDS List of References and make the document of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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